

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

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-- CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This is a Continuation Application of U.S. Application Serial No. 10/362,314, entitled Use of a Porous Carrier, filed on February 20, 2003, now pending, which is based on International Application Serial Number PCT/GB01/03739, entitled Use of a Porous Carrier, filed on August 21, 2001, which claims priority to GB 0020610.2, entitled Use of Porous Carrier, filed August 21, 2000. - -

Please add the following Abstract:

-- ABSTRACT

A porous carrier having interconnected porosity is loaded with drug or other material for controlled release of the drug or other material. - -